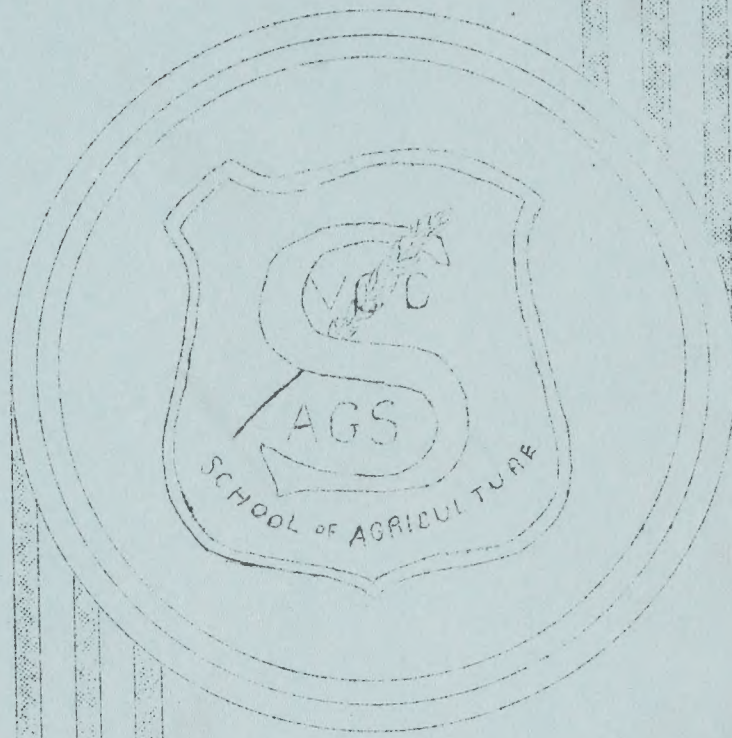


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A MESSAGE OF WELCOME -----

FROM THE DEAN OF AGRICULTURE - DR. V. E. GRAHAM.

Your presence here as students in the School of Agriculture is acknowledgement of the fact that the farmer of to-day is in need of technical training and specialized education. It is the function of this School to give as much of that kind of training and education as is possible in two terms of about five months each. To design the best possible curriculum to meet your needs, within this time limit, is not an easy task. However, it is one to which the University administration, from the President down, has given much thought and study. The curriculum in use now has been hammered out on the anvil of 37 years of experience. It is not perfect yet and probably never will be. The University will continue to make changes in it as experience dictates. For many years now the students themselves have been consulted with respect to it and this policy will be continued.

This province needs technically trained farmers who have developed a social consciousness to a high degree. But technical training and a sense of responsibility to the community is not enough to insure your success either as a farmer or as a community worker. These are the first steps - these are the items of training in which we can be of great assistance to you. To be successful in the broader sense of the word you will require the exercise of sound judgement, habits of industry and the ability to adjust yourself to your environment. If you can add to all of these qualities a liberal dash of imagination, you are well on the way to success as an individual farmer, as a community leader and as one who is likely to make a significant contribution to the development of agriculture in Saskatchewan, and in Canada.

School of Agriculture students this year enjoy a great advantage over those of former years in being able to live in our fine new building. This is something that we have dreamed about for years, and now our dream has come true. To live in a residence on the campus is not only a great convenience, it is also a great opportunity for self-development. In this respect the students in the School are specially favoured. It is unfortunate that there are not quite enough rooms to accommodate all our School students but no other School or College on the campus is so completely housed. Living together affords unique opportunities for establishing lasting friendships. It also affords the finest opportunities for social development of man as a 'social animal'. This building is a gift to the University of Saskatchewan from the people of the province and of the Dominion. The provincial and federal governments shared in its cost. Their combined investment in it amounts to several thousands of dollars per student housed within it in any one year. You are expected to take good care of it and leave it in the best possible condition for those who will use it in future years.

The relationship of mental accomplishment to successful farming was well expressed by Charles Dickens in 1868, when he wrote, "That part of the holding of a farmer or landowner which pays best for cultivation is the small estate within the ring-fence of his stall". Let us all co-operate in the cultivation of that estate!

All of my colleagues in the Faculty of Agriculture join with me in extending a most cordial welcome to you and in wishing you a happy and most successful session.

The students of the School of Agriculture wish to extend an expression of deepest sympathy to Miss Dickey on her recent sad bereavement.

On behalf of myself and my staff I would like to extend my thanks to Russ Fisher for the cover design of this issue and also to those who have helped with these two first editions.

--- The Editor ---

Editorial Page



The Fall Elections and the S. V. A. A.

Each year, after the opening of school one of the events of great interest to all of us is the election of the students representatives of the various clubs to the governing body, known as the S. V. A. A.

In recent days there has been great activity among the students regarding the various school clubs. Representatives for each of these clubs have been chosen and the clubs are now functioning as a group.

As we all realize, the students of this school converge here from all over the province and with this knowledge in mind it is impossible to think that our various clubs should not impart in us some knowledge, not given to us as part of our studies, which will relieve some of our problems in this, our chosen way of life.

As the year progresses we should be on the lookout for future material for the associations executive.

In the past it has been the policy of the S. V. A. A. executive to choose the prospective candidates from the new class, due to the fact that it would be an impossibility for each of the students to know all of his class mates and so a reliable body could not be picked out to represent the students of the school for the next term.

When the chosen candidates are brought before the General Assembly for election it is always possible that other candidates who may possess the desired qualities, and have been overlooked by the assembly will be nominated and asked to stand for election.

It should be remembered, at all times that the S. V. A. A. executive is not perfect but is merely in its growing stage.

Therefore when electing new members we should have in mind, those men who can and will help in the growth of this, our governing body.

Behind the present S. V. A. A. we have a very capable man in the person of Don Code, who along with his fellow workers are, I know, performing a grand job. If the S. V. A. A. for the year 1950-51 are to compare with Don and his co-workers they will have to be top-notch. There is every reason to believe that this challenge shall be met.

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THE SCHOOL IS A WINNER IN THE FIRST ROUND

The School of Agriculture, ably represented by Neville Baker and Ken Wilkinson successfully debated the College of Law in the first round in the Hillcup elimination debates. They defended the negative of the debate - resolved - "That tipping is a healthy aspect of our social life".

The School is pulling for you boys, keep up the good work.

RULES AND REGULATIONS
FOR
SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE LIBRARY

No Book or Pamphlet is to be Removed from the Library Reading Room Unless Properly Signed Out. Newspapers are not to be removed from the Library under any circumstances.

QUIET MUST BE MAINTAINED IN THE READING ROOM AT ALL TIMES.

Section A School of Agriculture Books and Pamphlets

1. Books are to be signed out on cards (cards are to be found in the books).
2. Pamphlets are to be signed out on special slips, which are provided. Pamphlets are to be listed on the slip by letter and number, and not by title.
3. Books and pamphlets signed out during the day are due at 4:30 p.m. Those signed out after 4:00 p.m. are due at 9:30 the following morning.
4. A fine of five cents per hour, maximum of twenty cents per day, will be charged for overdue books and pamphlets.
5. Special extensions of time may be granted on certain books and pamphlets if circumstances warrant. Application must be made to the Librarian.
6. Reserve books and pamphlets must not be removed from the Library Reading Room. Books and pamphlets in this section may include those in which reading has been assigned.

Section B Travelling Library Fiction Books

1. A Readers Registration fee of ten cents is required before books from this section may be taken out. One Registration fee will suffice for the term.
2. Only one book may be signed out at any one time.
3. Books may be kept for a period of one week. If further time is required, an extension must be secured by applying to the Librarian.
4. A fine of ten cents per day, will be charged on all overdue books.
5. Books are to be signed out in the Travelling Library Readers' Record booklet.

Section C General

1. Books and pamphlets may be signed out at any time of the day or evening when there is a Librarian on duty.
2. Between the hours of 9:00 to 12:00 a.m. and 1:30 to 5:00 p.m., books and pamphlets will be signed out with Miss Dickey at the ticket. At other times, they will be signed out with the Librarian in Charge, under the direction of H. R. Carter.
3. Anyone signing out a book or pamphlet is held responsible for it until it is returned. Borrower must return all books and pamphlets in person and not have someone else bring them in for him.
4. All books and pamphlets which have been signed out are to be handed directly to the Librarian in Charge and not replaced on the shelves.

FLASH----- SCHOLARSHIPS

The Sask. Wheat Pool has initiated a proposed scholarship plan for students attending the School of Agriculture. There will be two \$100 scholarships for each of the 16 Wheat Pool districts in the province, one scholarship for a first year student and the other for a second year student. This makes a total of \$3200.00.

The sixteen scholarships for first year students will come into effect for the 1950-51 term and the total of 32 for the following year.

Docking - "How do you determine the horsepower of an engine?"
Preece - "Count the plugs."

OUR STUDENT FROM "DOWN UNDER"

WE ARE VERY PLEASED AND FORTUNATE TO HAVE WITH US IN FIRST YEAR, DAVID KUAN, FROM CANTON, CHINA. WE WELCOME HIM TO THE SCHOOL AND SINCERELY WISH HIM THE BEST OF LUCK AND A SUCCESSFUL TERM.

I arrived in Canada on Oct. 27th, from China. I spent two weeks in Hong Kong after leaving my home in Canton. From Hong Kong I came by air to San Francisco. We stopped off at Formosa, Wake Island, Guam and Honolulu to pick up passengers and to refuel. There were some thirty-six persons on the plane, including the air crew. The plane was very comfortable and the passengers were very friendly. Not all the people on the plane were coming to Canada. Some were going to South America, Mexico and the others were coming over to the United States. It took thirty-six hours to fly from Hong Kong to San Francisco.

The weather was fairly good but we had some rough weather too. During the good weather we flew at 9,000 feet and in poor weather at 11,000 feet.

I would like to say something about my country and our cities there.

Shanghai is the most cosmopolitan of Chinese cities, here the American influence has been most evident. Its streets are crowded with American cars, moving wheel to wheel with rickshaws, drawn by panting richshaw boys. Here the old mingles with and contrasts with the new. Modern air-conditioned buildings, street-cars and buses can be seen in this truly up-to-date metropolis.

The city of Canton, which was my home for three years, has a population of about 17 millions. The city's transportation system is comprised mainly of street-cars which are very decrepit.

Life in the country is much different than life in the city. The Chinese farmer does all of his work by hand. He rises before the sun and works his land all day - when night comes he returns to his house which is merely a shelter from the elements. The livestock and family share the same dwelling.

The farmer irrigates his small farm by means of a water wheel such as used by the Ancient Egyptians.

I find the food in China is very different from the Canadian food. Our diet is mostly that of rice. Everything is rationed and unless one has a plentiful supply of money to obtain food from the black market, he would just have to run short.

I attended many different schools throughout China. I have been to school 12 years now and the last three years I have studied English.

The first thought of coming to S. of A. was last July. My father, who operates a restaurant in North Battleford, wrote to me and wanted to have me attend University to take Agriculture. Since that time I made plans to come here for I was very anxious to see this country.

I intend to take my degree in Agric. here and then go back to China.

I am very pleased to be with the S. of A. and I feel that when I return I will take with me many new ideas and thoughts of Canada.

-- David Kuan --

A boy at college phoned up his father because he was in a bit of a financial difficulty.

Son - "Dad, may I have ten dollars?"

Father - "What?"

Son - "Dad, may I have twenty dollars?"

Father - "I heard you the first time."

For drive-in theatres, I say 'Hooray!'

You get double the value for the admission you pay.

If you don't like the love scenes by Hollywood stars,

You can watch how they're played in the neighboring cars.

Art - Daring daubs defying decency.



SOCIAL

Sweet Home, in the sense that for that night anyway, the dance was over. We hope to enjoy more of these in the near future.

Reception-Oct.30

"House Warming"

Our first major social event of the year went off with remarkable success in the form of a dance on Nov 4th. It was actually beyond expectations when the auditorium became so packed that the "overflow" danced in the lounge. The nominal charge at the door netted the social directorate approximately \$45.

Since many of the boys were not acquainted with the varsity, girls were invited over from Sask. Hall, Arts & Science and Household Science and much of the success of the evening was due to their large turn-out. By reports heard later, many were pleased with the function and are waiting for the next.

School talent was called on for the music and both the old-time and modern orchestras did very well without having very much practise together. Dances varied from square dances and a schottish to modern music.

At intermission the crowd gathered in the cafeteria to enjoy a lunch and a rest. Introduction of the faculty and three of the teams who are to enter the Toronto Royal judging competitions, followed by a vocal solo and skit.

Everyone was sorry to hear the Home

On the afternoon of Oct. 30 the students and friends gathered for a short reception. School talent provided the entertainment and proved quite entertaining for those in attendance. A movie led the audience in a sing-song. A lunch rounded out the afternoon.

Theatre News

The social directorate decided to make use of the film projector provided in the auditorium so a movie was put on for the benefit of any who wished to see it. "The Man Who Lost Himself", starring Claudette Colbert, was its title. Although it isn't quite as clear as in down town theatres the reduced price still made it worth while. \$10 profit was realized which will be used in future social activities.

Last Thoughts.

These socials are really going over, and seeing as they were so good in the past we decided to have one on Sunday to keep the Boy's that were here in good spirits.

The programme consisted of talent in the School and we were also happy to have a number of Sask. Hall girls with us. We sure appreciate your spirit fellows, let's keep going ahead. Thanks to, for your co-operation. Also a note of warning fellows have your dates ready for Nov. 26th.

ON STARTING OUT

Two young men were standing outside
A typical small town saloon
At two o'clock was the opening hour
They prayed the time would come soon
When they could go inside and begin
A practise that brings degradation and sin.

A Key turned in the lock just then
The bartender said step inside
So the two young men hurried into the den
Their craving they could not hide
This was the start of a pitiful end
Whether it be brother, neighbor or friend.

They were in for a drink they both realized
And they couldn't help themselves
The liquor they loved so dearly
Could be seen full view on long shelves
It cast a strong spell about both of the

men
They would fill up their glasses again
and again.

Now day turned to eve as it always does
In this shabby small town saloon
Our two heroes we find quite heedless of
time

Have their bellies filled like a balloon
The harm they are doing themselves they
don't know
As slowly but surely drunker they grow.

Many passed by with no more than a smirk
Some thought what a pitiful sight
Still others took time to josh them a bit
Not fully aware of their plight
While our boys no longer responsible

methinks
Mumbled to the bartender "Bring on more
drinks".

The bartender yielded with two more beers
To the now scarcely audible call
And why not he figured within himself
I don't mind helping men to downfall
As long as the almighty dollar I get
The drinks though watered I'll serve them
you bet!

The night has advanced - the saloon is
closed

Three hours ago it was ten
And outside the door - of the ten cent
store
Lie two helpless drunken young men
Nobody to care for them now that they're
broke
This sad situation is surely no joke.

For waiting up late at home there may be
A loving mother, brother or wife
Wondering what's happened to their loved
one
Who promised he'd lead a good life
Oh how they will curse the whiskey and gin
When they find out the horrible shape
he is in.

A moral this story should hold for us all
I don't mean you should be a tetotaller
Use discretion in all things on the sea
of life

It will help you to be a good voyageur.
You will be respected by all whom you
meet
And from fear or shame you'll never re-
treat.

-- E. G. Anderson --

WANT ADS

Rate - 2¢ per word,---- Min. charge 25¢

For Sale:

One pair of men's hockey skates. Size
ten. Good condition.

Apply - Room 306.

For Sale:

One B. F. Goodrich car radio in A-1
condition. Price - \$35.00.

Apply - J. Knox

Lost:

Brown Shaeffer's pen. Reward offered.

Contact - Joe Linnell

The world is old, yet it likes to laugh
New jokes are hard to find;
A whole new editorial staff
Can't tickle every mind.

So if you find some ancient joke
Dubbed in some modern guise,
Don't frown and give the thing a poke
Just laugh - don't be too wise.

CLUB NOTES

AGRONOMY CLUB

Word has just been received from the soils dept. that the greenhouse is ready, and we will be able to move in anytime.

Jim Howse, the club director has been busy the last few days procuring space in the greenhouse, and trying to arrange a tour through all the greenhouses at the university. A tour was scheduled for last Thursday, but many of the members had gone home on the long week-end that afternoon, so as not to disappoint those absent, it was postponed until a later date.

Already 21 members have registered in the club and we have hopes that more will be interested enough to join in the near future.

At the next meeting we hope to make some progress in the way of planning our work in the greenhouse. We urge all members to bring their problems up at this meeting, so that we may, if possible try them as experiments.

LIVESTOCK CLUB

The last meeting was held on Nov. 1 at which approximately 40 members answered the roll.

Discussion as to the possibility of establishing steer and swine projects followed, the pros and cons of the projects were voiced by the group, no decision was reached because of lack of information with regard to market prices.

The crests were ordered and will contain the year of membership as an addition to the crests of last year.

LITERARY CLUB

It is difficult to report on the progress we are making, in some directions great strides have been made, in others we are temporarily bogged down because of lack of funds. Jack Fenwick is unable to

report any progress with the photography group this week. However within a few days he hopes to be able to get things under control.

Our musical branch proved that they could do all that we expected of them- and more, at the very successful dance last week.

Preece proves prolific in the laughs field and with the able support of others in the Drama pasture we should have some entertaining sessions.

Whew! it sure gets hot in the Aud. these nights when our debating boys get warmed up, the audience felt the heat too judging by the questions that sizzle through the air.

We would like four men with voices better than that of our worthy director, who as a singer makes a good drummer, to come forward and make a real effort as a quartet.

So long until next time.

MECHANICS CLUB

The club got away to a big start this year when we divided into our different interest groups on Nov. 3. George Mahaffy, a first year student, was nominated secretary of the club.

Due to lack of the necessary space to work in the engineering building, we were forced to make changes in the enrollment of the welding and motor overhaul groups. However this was balanced by the introduction of groups on The study of Farm Machinery and The Maintenance of the Farm Shop and its' equipment. We feel and hope that they will be in full swing just as soon as possible.

The club has a present enrollment of well over 85 members so lets make it a big year fellows. We'll get cracking on our projects just as soon as we can and with the help of our instructors we can go right ahead.



HORSE SENSE

FALL

AIR

A farmer's wife had lost her mind.
As they carried her away in a strait
jacket the farmer said, "I jest can't
figger what got into her - she ain't been
outta the kitchen in 30 years."

Mr. Cooper - "Teaching that calf to drink
took me two hours, roughly speaking".

Mrs. Cooper - "That's what you may call it,
but I'd call it plain cussing."

Interviewer - (to applicant for job) -
"Are you married?"

Jim - "No, I'm not - but I can take orders,
if that's what you mean."

Ross - "There, I've gone and swallowed
my collar button."

Wife - "Well, that's one time you'll
know where it is."

The efficient expert will tell you
that if a farmer's boy can pick six quarts
of berries in an hour, and a girl five
quarts, the two of them together will
pick eleven quarts. But Mr. Ward knows
that the two of them together won't pick
any.

It's only when some men catch the
bridal bouquets that some women have any
flowers in the house.

Daughter - "I told Ted he mustn't see me
any more."

Mother - "What did he do then?"

Daughter - "He turned off the lights."

George LeRose says it isn't hard to
meet expenses these days because you meet
them every time you turn around.

Visitor - (Speaking of little boy) -
"He has his mother's eyes."

Mother - "And his father's mouth."

Child - "And his brother's trousers."

Baker's girlfriend - "I can't stand
kissing."

Neville - "Let's sit down then."

Hodgen - "I got assets. Do you know
what assets mean?"

Knox - "Sure. Assets is little
donkeys."

The cow is of the bovine ilk,
One end is moo, the other milk.

"She wore one of those baseball dresses!"
"What's that?"

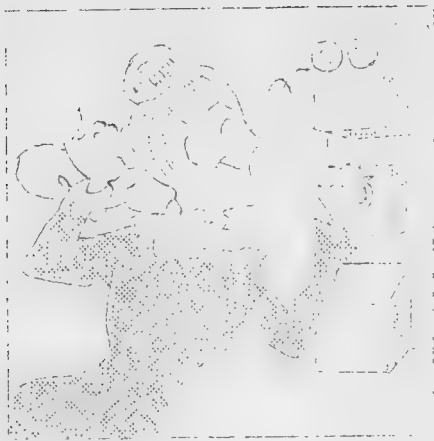
"A baseball dress? It had a diamond
back, a grandstand view in front, and it
showed a lot of beautiful curves."

Amy - "My uncle can't decide whether to
get a new cow or a bicycle for his farm."

Farley - "He'd certainly look silly rid-
ing around on a cow."

Amy - "Yeah, but he would look a lot
sillier milking a bicycle."

The rabbit had six bunnies. Beat the
Canadian record by a hare.



HAVING HEARD

We are pleased to have several members of the previous first year classes back with us this year to complete the course. They are quite fortunate by waiting for they can now enjoy one year in the new building. These include: Kenneth Johnson and Don Pederson of the '46-47 first year class and N. Boldt, W. Frith, A. Green, Don McLaren and Cecil Smith of the '47-48 class.

Everyone was sorry to hear of Amy's accident, the disappearance of the spider-mus on his nose. He tells us it was suffered during a boxing work-out but the way he has been keeping in lately?? we are just beginning to wonder. Don't worry Edwin, it will likely grow back again.

Attention - Anyone wanting to learn oxy-acetylene welding, please contact Lorne Taylor. He now realizes the extent of the heat given off by the flame, and assures us it is better to hold the torch above the table at the work than below the table on his overalls.

We are also reminded of our first lecture in Farm Management when a lonely looking pooch strolled into the room. Prof. Van Vliet looked at it; shook his head and said, "You had better leave little fellow, this class isn't fit for a dog."

Palmer Sather has the chicken-pox and is now down in isolation ward at the City Hospital. We hope he is soon back with us.

George LaRose has decided to leave the nurses and come back to the School after his episode with the measles. We hope he doesn't meet with any other misfortune (?) in the near future.

We are pleased to note some further furniture additions have been made in the form of oak tables for the library and two of the chesterfield suites for the lounge.

Mr. Howard Carter has been appointed librarian and we ask the co-operation of all concerned to assist him in keeping the library tidy, as well as to keep account of book circulation.

Many of the boys took advantage of the long week-end to take a trip home. They should now have new incentive for another two or three weeks work.

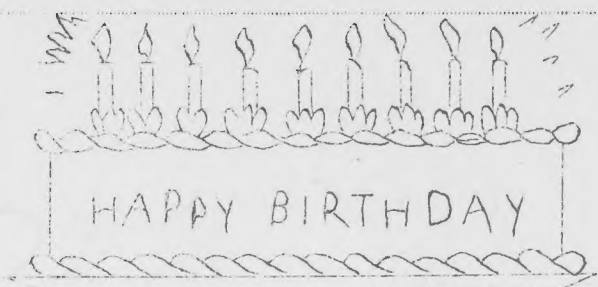
The School of Agriculture was represented at the Remembrance Day services at Memorial Gates with the laying of a wreath by our P.R.O. - Bob Caldwell.

Consider Adam, who could not rest,
With all the leisure he possessed
Until he learned, as some forget
That rest is earned alone by sweat.

Congratulations are due to those of our class who entered the state of matrimony during the summer: Eric Ross, Roy Sael, Alf Selby, and John Cooper. We wish you all the best of luck in your married life.



What----- no key?



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Ralph Anderson	- - - - -	Nov. 2
Donald Craig	- - - - -	Nov. 3
David Cunningham	- - - - -	Nov. 3
Philip Stilborn	- - - - -	Nov. 3
S. Ketilson	- - - - -	Nov. 3
William Rosher	- - - - -	Nov. 8
Robert Brown	- - - - -	Nov. 9
William Casson	- - - - -	Nov. 9
Michael Preece	- - - - -	Nov. 13
Frank Ross	- - - - -	Nov. 14

!!!!!!!!!!!!!! REMEMBER !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Greystone sales will prevail throughout this week.

SALES AGENTS ARE:

1. G. Marshall
2. Mac. Coakwell
3. Jack Fenwick
4. R. Caldow

During the war - my brother - stayed at home on the farm. One day while he was milking a cow, a soldier came along and said: "You slacker! Why aren't you at the front?"

"What did your brother say?"

He said; "Because there isn't any milk at that end."

Circle - A round straight line with a hole in the middle.

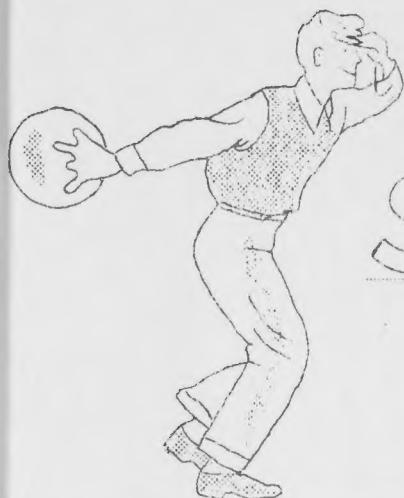
Hilbig - "Is this a dray horse you've got?"
Harvey - "No, it's a black horse, and stop your baby talk."



A Scotchman - A person whose thrift teaches him to take long steps to save shoe leather, but whose caution advises him to take short steps to avoid ripping his pants.

Girl friend - "What does 'davenport' mean to you?"
Reed - "A city in Iowa."

Benquet - A fifty-cent dinner you pay five dollars for.



SPORTS



The major sport activity at the present time is bowling, and to give the readers a chance to follow the game during the winter we will include in this issue the names of the teams, together with the students who comprise them. In future issues of the paper the standings of the teams will be given so progress or regressions may be noted.

"V-8's"

R. Caldw
G. Marshall
F. Bolding
G. Shortt
N. Sim

"South Westers"

R. Mann
T. Beckett
J. Beichall
N. Myres
W. Petresenko

"Badgers"

M. Malin
H. Carlson
C. Jenkins
A. Jones
W. Whittingham

"Blows"

B. Stapleton
G. Flaten
H. Ford
E. Ross
M. Lefebvre

"Temperance"

R. Ferrie
G. Boyle
G. Hill
N. Baker
D. Code

"Blue Bombers"

K. Russell
B. Kindt
P. Sather
W. Kyle
J. Knox

"Spark Plugs"

W. Tomilin
N. Stushinoff
H. Mullet
A. Robertson
N. Shernoff

"All Stars"

E. Amy
B. Linnell
J. Linnell
C. Kent
L. Taylor

"Flyers"

H. Benjamin
A. Linklater
M. Preece
O. Kjorven
G. LaRose

"Beavers"

H. Francis
B. Resher
J. Craig
J. Anderson
A. Beck

"Hot Shots"

W. Farley
D. Pederson
T. Bunn
A. Bunn
E. Anderson

"Boozers"

R. Oberg
N. Noble
B. Macza
G. Kenderdine
C. McIvor

"Triakis"

J. Dorrance
D. McClaren
M. Harvey
S. Acton
R. Watson

"Tumbleweeds"

J. Cammuert
G. Ward
W. Young
G. Hodgen
K. Grandsahl

"Slickers"

G. Mahaffy
D. Cunningham
B. Brennan
G. Burton
A. Barr

"Dragons"

R. Thompson
C. Forbes
G. Knowles

D. Brown
L. Brown

"Challengers"

J. Riou
F. Wahlberg
B. Tomlinson

R. Webster
S. Campbell

